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From: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 3972  
Message-Id: <20061108200200.E6F34318893@srvr1.theporch.com>

### BOATANCHORS Digest 3972

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19) Ocean State Electronics  
by "B. Smith" <smithab11@comcast.net>  
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21) Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
by w8au@sssnet.com  
22) R-388 Serial Numbers  
by John Poulton <jp@cs.unc.edu>  
23) Re: Collins Receiver Advice  
by wa9jml@tbc.net

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From: "Jack" <wa2hwj@att.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: FRR-3  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 09:01:33 -0500  
Message-ID: <DHECIFLHEJNALFGIFEHEAEBKCCAA.wa2hwj@att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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I have a complete AN/FRR-3 receiver available for the taking. It is in a 7-ft tall cabinet and is in very good condition. This is an HF four-channel radio built in the 40's and it was usually mated with the AN/FCG-1 RTTY converter (which I have). This thing totally meets the "boatanchor" requirement since it weighs in around 300+ pounds. Come and get it! Near Albany, NY. manual included.

73,  
Jack WA2HWJ

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Message-ID: <BAY111-DAV1237DCADF9966B153B9CA890F20@phx.gbl>  
From: "Tom Bridgers" <Tarheel6@msn.com>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Amperite Ballast tube 3-4 for sale  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 12:26:14 -0500  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have two NOS Ballast 3-4 for sale. Price for the two is \$ 20 total (\$10 each) plus shipping. Or make offer.

-Tom

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Message-ID: <001801c7029c\$66c1a930\$37e47443@KB6NAX>  
From: "Arden Allen" <gumbear@pacbell.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: weird EFJ Valiant problem -- cured!  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 10:39:17 -0800  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="UTF-8"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

That sure makes sense, Mike. Removing the clipper/filter increased the gain to the modulators. The modulators, due to their heavy current demand, modulated the power supply voltage which fed back to the mic amp stage. With the increased gain the low frequency phase margin was reduced to zero, or shall we say extended to 360 degrees, before the loop gain dropped to less than one, the criteria needed for oscillation. By both reducing gain and increasing the bypass capacitor you did a double whammy!

Arden Allen  
KB6NAX

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
From: Tom Norris <r390a@bellsouth.net>  
Subject: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 13:07:19 -0600

Just noticed some of the Ebay prices they seem to command over the past several years. Here's an S-38D with a BIN of \$99, and it'll probably get it. 180047601502

Every now and again I've seen GRR-5's go for nearly as much as R-392's.

Hmmmmm.

tom NU4G

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Message-ID: <4550DB10.6774B609@lucent.com>  
Date: Tue, 07 Nov 2006 13:14:24 -0600  
From: John McCarty <jmccarty@lucent.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Mid-west AM noon time forum  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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There is a new A.M. "net" forming up. Net control, NR9Q, is in northern Illinois. Net is on 3885 starts every day at 12:00 CST. Net control refers to the group as the Noon-time A.M. Forum. Checked in Sat and Sun with a TCS and SCR-274N. Got s9 reports from all stations even though I was only running 15 watts of cxr.

73

n9hrt

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Message-ID: <23165465.1162928833375.JavaMail.root@elwamui-darkeyed.atl.sa.earthlink.net>  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 14:47:13 -0500 (EST)  
From: spr@earthlink.net  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="UTF-8"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7Bit

Tom,

They're pretty, at least the round dial versions. A lot of people like radios as decorative objects, and even I have some of those, but no S-38s.

Peace,

Scott

-----Original Message-----  
>From: Tom Norris <r390a@bellsouth.net>  
>Sent: Nov 7, 2006 2:07 PM  
>To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
>Subject: When did S-38's become great radios?  
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>Hmmmmmm.  
>  
>tom NU4G  
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Message-ID: <4550E3C4.1070206@mindspring.com>  
Date: Tue, 07 Nov 2006 14:51:32 -0500  
From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
CC: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

The "round dial" S-38 was designed by Raymond Lowey, the "Father of Industrial Design", along with the 53 Studebaker "Starlight Coupe" (wish I still had mine!) and MANY other products you would recognize!

73, Garey - K40AH  
Atlanta

Drake 2-B, 4-B & C-Line Service CDs  
<[www.k4oah.com](http://www.k4oah.com)>

spr@earthlink.net wrote:

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From: Tom Norris <r390a@bellsouth.net>  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 14:33:28 -0600  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

I guess I'm just grumpy cuz I traded a non-suffixed model three or four years ago, like new in the box, for about \$25 worth of stuff. That was what they were worth about or so IIRC... I like the round dial, they're really nice looking, but some of the D and E models are bringing lots of money when real radios can be had for less than the \$50+ that they seem to go for. Nostalgia, I suppose, I've bought lots of things that I couldn't afford when I was a kid or that I tossed in the past and kicked myself until I replaced it. I do have a nifty little National SW-54. That's a pretty radio too with it's silver/gray hammertone case - despite it's fake bandspread control.

Besides, I didn't have anything else to fuss about today. LOL

Tom

On Nov 7, 2006, at 1:51 PM, Garey Barrell wrote:

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> Industrial Design", along with the 53 Studebaker "Starlight

> Coupe" (wish I still had mine!) and MANY other products you would  
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> 73, Garey - K40AH  
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>>> To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 15:26:39 -0600  
Message-ID: <C2E12B15D2CA56409ED5354B2AA78B0D0221D7E0@eecsmail.eecs.local>  
From: AB Bonds <ab@vuse.vanderbilt.edu>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Well, as AA5's go, they are about as good as it gets. As sloppy as the build is, the RF components are fairly decent quality and as long as you don't care about inconvenient notions like selectivity and sensitivity. But yes, way overvalued. Consider it a tax on the uninformed.

A. B. Bonds

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> past several years. Here's an S-38D with a BIN of \$99, and it'll =20  
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From: W0EOM@aol.com  
Message-ID: <489.5ab7ff20.328256ef@aol.com>  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 16:38:55 EST  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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I put the S-38's in the class of 'memory' radios, ie a radio, which for a lot of us , was the first one we ever owned.



A lot of people who once owned one, decide to find one to have on their desk, say, even if not a collector, and the cost is not a big deal. so if one turns up that they want, they go for it.

just an idea.

Will

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From: W7QH0@aol.com  
Message-ID: <c1d.8da731d.3282708c@aol.com>  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 18:28:12 EST  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Content-Type: text/plain; charset="ISO-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

In a message dated 11/7/06 1:39:56 PM, W0E0M@aol.com writes:

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> lot of us , was the first one we ever owned.
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My first "store-bought" radio was an NC-33, National's answer to the S-38. =20=  
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Same basic AC/DC circuit as the 38. Both were marketed as good "first"=20  
receivers for a young ham but my primary memory is frustration with the lack=  
of=20  
selectivity and stability. Almost useless on 80M in the evening in those d=  
ays.=20

Built up the 6K8/6SN7 set out of the 46 handbook and did much better.

That being said, though, wouldn't mind having either one now.

Dennis D. W7QH0  
Glendale, CA

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Message-ID: <002d01c702d6\$7ff2e470\$c9e47443@KB6NAX>  
From: "Arden Allen" <gumbear@pacbell.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 17:37:44 -0800  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Aaahh, phooey! I'm waiting for my ship to come in with a cargo of AR-3's!

Arden Allen  
KB6NAX

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From: WA1KBQ@aol.com

Message-ID: <54a.3e7561c1.3282aded@aol.com>  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 22:50:05 EST  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Which one receiver offered the most performance for the least dollars? I hesitate to say S-38 even though I remember as a kid being really impressed with one an uncle had. Seems like you could span the bands (at least the lower ones) and pick up a ton of stations until you realized wherever you stopped three stations came in at the same time at the same place. I also remember being bitten by that one several times. S-20R?

73, Greg

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From: W7QHO@aol.com  
Message-ID: <38f.e50fdf7.3282b247@aol.com>  
Date: Tue, 7 Nov 2006 23:08:39 EST  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 11/7/06 7:51:08 PM, WA1KBQ@aol.com writes:

> I also remember being  
> bitten by that one several times. S-20R?  
>

Could be. AC/DC too if I remember correctly.

Dennis D. W7QHO  
Glendale, CA

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Message-Id: <7.0.1.0.0.20061107232333.02dfb4b0@sssnet.com>  
Date: Tue, 07 Nov 2006 23:28:43 -0500  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
From: w8au@sssnet.com  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

At 11:08 PM 11/7/06, W7QHO@aol.com wrote:  
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Nope. S-20R was xfmr powered. My 8th grade buddy had one.  
I had the S-19R (poor kid's S-20R) and it too was xfmr powered.

Perry w8au

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From: W7QH0@aol.com  
Message-ID: <3af.8dbd708.3282be82@aol.com>  
Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 00:00:50 EST  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

In a message dated 11/7/06 8:30:29 PM, w8au@sssnet.com writes:

> >Could be.=A0=A0 AC/DC too if I remember correctly.  
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> Nope.=A0 S-20R was xfmr powered.=A0 My 8th grade buddy had one.  
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Perry,

Yes, you're right. I was thinking of the S-22R

Dennis D. W7QH0  
Glendale, CA

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Message-ID: <02e001c70333\$4a3c4df0\$650fa8c0@radiatoroom>  
From: "Tom Rauch" <w8ji@contesting.com>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 07:41:52 -0500  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
format=flowed;  
charset="iso-8859-1";  
reply-type=original  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> Could be. AC/DC too if I remember correctly.

AC-DC radios were a natural filter, allowing only the  
fittest and best to survive.  
Now it means something entirely different.

73 Tom

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Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 08:16:23 -0600 (CST)  
From: Bob Roehrig <broehrig@aurora.edu>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.61.0611080813370.26957@hermes.aurora.edu>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII; format=flowed

My first receiver as a novice in 1956 was a S-38C. It served me well thru  
the Novice year. After upgrading, I obtained a S-85 (which I guess was a  
little better).

I now have both a S-38 and a SW-54 sitting on display. After refurbishing  
them, I haven't had them turned on in years.

Bob Roehrig  
Aurora University Telecom dept.  
broehrig@aurora.edu  
K9EUI W9ZGP WC2XSR/11 WD2XSH/19

630-844-4898      fax 630-844-4222  
"Nostalgia is a thing of the past"

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Message-ID: <002c01c70343\$39b51790\$731bc847@HAL1000>  
From: "B. Smith" <smithab11@comcast.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Ocean State Electronics  
Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 09:36:04 -0500  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
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    charset="Windows-1252";  
    reply-type=original  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

It appears that Ocean State Electronics is still in business, evidently they experienced a problem with a computer etc. Explanation is on their web page.  
<http://www.oselectronics.com/>

I have not ordered anything recently but have received answers to my emails.

73 Breck k4che

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Subject: RE: When did S-38's become great radios?  
Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 09:20:00 -0600  
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From: AB Bonds <ab@vuse.vanderbilt.edu>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

S-20R is transformer powered and a heckuva good performer for a low-ball= single-conversion set. Has an RF amp and TWO if amp stages. May be= that at its original price it was as cheap as an S-38.... But then tha= t was more, if you get the drift.

A. B.

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> In a message dated 11/7/06 7:51:08 PM, WA1KBQ@aol.com writes:  
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> > I also remember being

> > bitten by that one several times. S-20R?  
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> Could be. AC/DC too if I remember correctly.  
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> Dennis D. W7QHO  
> Glendale, CA  
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Date: Wed, 08 Nov 2006 12:48:04 -0500  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
From: w8au@sssnet.com  
Subject: Re: When did S-38's become great radios?  
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At 07:41 AM 11/8/06, Tom Rauch wrote:  
AC-DC radios were a natural filter, allowing only the fittest and  
best to survive. Now it means something entirely different.

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Great response! :-)) Still chuckling...

w8au

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Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 13:51:40 -0500 (EST)  
From: John Poulton <jp@cs.unc.edu>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: R-388 Serial Numbers  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.64.0611081345080.3123@swan.cs.unc.edu>  
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Been some discussion on the lists about R-388 serial numbers. About  
10 years ago, Tom Marcotte (N5OFF) compiled a list of serial numbers  
and estimated production run numbers for each of them, based on  
reports from owners on the list. Here's the summary:

Contract	Number (est)
N0bsr-49132 (AN/URR-23A)	91
N0bsr-52527 (AN/URR-23A)	91
19624-PHILA-50	976
1908-PHILA-51	355
3131-PHILA-51	919
3155-PH-51	1379



3164-PH-51	153
3167-PHILA-51	491
3357-PHILA-52, s.n. C36	1672
3469-PHILA-52	20
3470-PHILA-52	1449
25635-PHILA-53-36	1809
25067-PH-54-55	363
21318-PH-56	88
30951-PH-56	0
30951-PHILA-57	0
37003-PC-62	171
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Total	10027

All are Collins production. I believe Tom estimated the production run by taking the highest serial number reported to him by owners.

We could, of course, do another survey now and update the list. I think this might be worthwhile, as it seems a large number of these beautiful old radios have come out of the woodwork in the last 10 years.

I'd be happy to serve as collector of the data, and I'll post the results in a permanent place.

So, if you are in the mood, send me ALL of the information on the nameplates of your R-388's and R-388A's (51J-4's in military clothing), specifically the full contract number (as above) and the serial number, and I'll update this table.

73, John K4OZY

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Message-ID: <1163016417.8fda052922e39@www.tbc.net>
Date: Wed, 8 Nov 2006 14:06:57 -0600
From: wa9jml@tbc.net
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Collins Receiver Advice
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After being in Ham Radio for more than 40 years, I have been considering buying my first ever piece of Collins equipment. I am looking for something to pair with my Gonset GSB-100 exciter, so it should work on CW, SSB, and AM. I have narrowed down my interests to the 75S-1 and 75S-3 series receivers. What are the differences between these receivers? How hard is it to add CW filters, how much do they generally cost, and where are they available? Any pointers?

73,

Steve WA9JML

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